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WASHINGTON (AP) - Defense Secretary Harold Brown doesn't like to share the spotlight.

That has become painfully clear at the televised hearings the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is holding on the SALT II treaty.

Brown didn't mind sharing the witness table with his Cabinet colleague; Secretary of State Cyrus Vance. And he doesn't object to having a couple of Pentagon aides sitting at his side.

But he draws the line at people like CIA Director Stansfield Turner; Gen. George Seignious; head of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency; and Lt. Gen. Eugene F. Tighe; head of the Defense Intelligence Agency.

At one committee session last week; Brown arrived to find places set up at the witness table for himself; William J. Perry; head of research and development at the Pentagon; Seignious; and Tighe.

Brown told Seignious and Tighe to sit elsewhere. They moved to seats reserved for aides to the witnesses. As a result neither man got to give his prepared testimony and their appearances were rescheduled.

There may have been a little more involved when the committee scheduled Brown and Turner for a joint appearance at a closed session on whether or not the United States could detect Soviet cheating.

Brown refused to testify with Turner and the CIA director ended up cooling his heels and finally leaving.

''I was scrubbed;'' he told reporters.

In this case; it's known that Brown and Turner have given sharply different views - to the annoyance of the defense secretary - on how long it will take the United States to recover the monitoring capability of bases lost in the governmental upheaval in Iran.

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